U OF T SCARBOROUGH'S PARTNERSHIP & ENGAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

Partnerships aren't static, they are full of life. They embody lived experiences, knowledge-sharing, and intersectionality. Hence, the framework exemplifies the fluidity and interconnectedness of meaningful partnerships.

Partners can map themselves anywhere on this framework and can come in and out of any stage. Stage 8—Revisit, rethink, & evolve— happens throughout the process.

2 UNDERSTANDING

A basic understanding about the purpose of coming together and what the relationship is hoping to accomplish, based on partner-defined and university-defined priorities.

6 COLLABORATION

Partners are able to work together on a specific project and approach to reach a common goal — innovative ideas are presented to meet a common priority.

1 VALUES

Articulating and sharing guiding beliefs and principles that are core to and inform your partnership decisions and activities.

8 REVISIT, RETHINK & EVOLVE

Decisions and actions are subject to regular oversight and evaluation of the agreed to values and principles.

Objectives are met and benefit the external community as intended. Emphasizes the importance of ethical behaviour and accountability in order to strengthen the relationship and work.



COLLECTIVE ACTION

Multi-sector coalition toward a common goal with an aim to holistically improve conditions for a group of people, neighbourhood, or region.

5 COORDINATION

Organizational independence. Self-interests and resources are defined. Coordination may include an exchange of information, stories, materials, services, and/or resources aligning strategic agendas.

4 SHARED INTERESTS

Partnerships that embed mutual benefit, mutual contribution of expertise and mutual dedication of time and energy.

3 SELF-DETERMINATION

Partners choosing and setting their own goals, being involved in making decisions, self-advocating, and then working together to reach their goals.

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